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## Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 18 as with the following amended paragraph:

Experiments were run to evaluate the use of SDS. The configuration of the equipment was as follows: Multiple parallel capillaries were used. Each capillary had an inner diameter of 50 μm, and outer diameter of 150 μm, and a total length of 50 cm, with an effective length of 40 cm from the sample end to the window detection region through which light from a chromophore associated with the sample, can be detected. Excitation was provided by an all-length 200 mW AR-ion laser shining at the capillaries. A CCD camera configured substantially in the manner disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 5,998,796, captured the spectra-resolved images. The voltage applied across the capillary ends was +10 kV at the injection end, i.e., +200 V/cm. The buffer used during electrophoresis was 10 mM borate acid having a pH of 10.5. Finally, the protein sample was injected at the injection end using a vacuum at -0.5 psi for 5 seconds.